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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Andrzej Lipkowski et al.

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Sir:

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER'S DECISION TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Final Rejection mailed on July 6, 2009 finally rejecting claims 2-3, 5-9, and 17 in connection with the above-identified application.

Applicants are concurrently filing a Petition For Three-Month Extension of Time. With a three-month extension of time, a response is due January 6, 2010. Accordingly, this Notice of Appeal is being timely filed.

Applicants have previously established small entity status and such status is still applicable. The required fee for filing a Notice of Appeal under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b) for a small entity is TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY DOLLARS (\$270.00) and a check for this amount is enclosed.

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required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

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